

## United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/622,723	07/17/2003	Bernd Bienek	112740-846	3883
29177 75	590 04/20/2006		EXAMINER	
BELL, BOYD & LLOYD, LLC			SHINGLETON, MICHAEL B	
P. O. BOX 113	5			·
CHICAGO, IL 60690-1135			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
			2817	

DATE MAILED: 04/20/2006

## PRIORITY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

$\boxtimes$	of record in the file.
	2. Applicant's claim for priority, based on papers filed in parent Application Number submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119, is acknowledged.
	3. The priority papers, submitted, after payment of the issue fee are □ acknowledged  While the priority claim or certified copy filed will be placed in the file record, neither will be reviewed and the patent when published will not include the priority claim.  See 37 CFR 1.55(a)(2). □ not acknowledged since the processing fee in 37 CFR 1.17(i) has not been received.
	4. For utility and plant applications filed on or after November 29, 2000, the priority claim is not entered because the claim was not presented within the time limit required by 37 CFR 1.55(a)(1). A petition to accept a delayed claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) - (d) or (f), or 365(a) may be filed. See 37 CFR 1.55(c) and MPEP 201.14(a).
	DEL GERONIMO
Maı	nager, Publishing Division

Office of Patent Publication (703) 305-8388